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July 6, 2011

HAVERSTOCK & OWENS LLP 162 N WOLFE ROAD SUNNYVALE, CA 94086 US

Dear Sir/Madam,

Your refund request for 10539714 in the amount of \$220.00 has been denied.

After thorough inspection of U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Physical records in the above identified application and the Revenue Accounting Management financial records, it is determined that you are not entitled to a refund.

The case was originally filed with 34 total claims and 3 independent claims (claim numbers 1, 14 and 15) not 32 total claims and 4 independent claims as stated. The case was also originally filed with multiple claims. The total payment sent in by the applicant was \$1,700.00 the actual fees due totaled \$1,960.00. The office refunded \$200.00 for the additional independent claim paid by the applicant on 12/20/2005. Thus making the total claim count 34 and 3 independent.

Applicant filed an amendment on November 16, 2009 in which the total claim count after the amendment was processed was 27 total claims and 7 independent claims. Applicant paid the fee of \$660.00 for 3 additional independent claims (claim numbers 1,8,14,15,25,30 and 32) based on the assumption that there were 4 independent claims at the original time of filing instead of the initial 3 claims present in the original filing. Therefore the fee of \$ 220 for the additional independent claim is warranted.

Sincerely,

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